

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4690
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HIGH SPEED PATROLLING SHIP
PUNNULAL MOHALE

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have conducted any test of high speed patrolling ship;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the benefits likely to accrue therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): Two high speed interceptor boats built by M/s ABG Shipyard were extensively tested by the Coast Guard for ascertaining their speed vis-à-vis the approved design specifications. These boats achieved the desired speed during trials.

(c) Induction of high speed interceptor boats would help the Coast Guard in the performance of its functions such as patrolling, search and rescue, interdiction of offending vessels etc.